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Selectmen's Minutes 09-20-2004

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes
 Monday, September 20, 2004
 6:15 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Mahon, Chair, Mr. Hurd, Vice-Chair, Mrs. Dias, Mr. Greeley, Mr. Lyons.
 Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Maher, and Mrs. Krepelka.

1. Article 3- Warrant Article of the Special Town Meeting

This article was discussed last on the agenda so that Mr. Lyons could be part of the discussion and vote. Mr. Lyons arrived during this article discussion.

Brian Rehrig explained Article 3 as the vehicle to restructure payouts and separate revenues from the Symmes Project from all other Town revenues. It would be up to the Board of Selectmen that town budgets are not negatively affected from this project. The objective would be to stretch out debt-to have current debt service decrease through annual revenues. This allows some revenue to fall to the Town side to help pay incremental costs of the project. Mr. Tosti spoke in favor of this article. Mr. O'Reardon spoke in favor of this article but impressed on the Selectmen how the neighborhood would like the Board to sit down with the neighbors about their concerns throughout and after the project. The Board members were in agreement of being in favor of the article. Mr. Lyons stated that he was in favor of this article and that it means the Board is committing to form a committee at the next Town Meeting.

Mr. Hurd moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

2. Reappointment: Redevelopment Board

Ed Tsoi

(term to expire 9/20/07)

Mr. Hurd moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

3. Reappointment: Board of Library Trustees

Susan Ruderman

(term to expire 9/20/07)

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

4. Reappointment: Open Space Committee

Patsy Kraemer

(term to expire 9/20/07)

Mrs. Kraemer spoke to the fact this is a legacy to Alan McClennan and would enjoy

continuing her work on the Open Space Committee.

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

5. **Request: Common Victualler License**

Baba Miro Corp. d/b/a Buddy's Ice Cream & More, Ameir Mansour, President, 882B Mass. Ave.

Mr. Mansour, Jr. explained the shop would sell ice cream, slush, and snacks.

Mr. Hurd moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

6. **Request: Common Victualler License**

Michael Dalesandro & Anna Marie Dalesandro-Beach, Geillio Café and Catering Corporation, 218 Mass. Ave.

Mrs. Dalesandro-Beach explained she is the marketing expertise and her brother will be

the chef with 20 + years of experience. They are taking over an existing business and will add a few new things.

Mr. Hurd moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

7. **Request: Food Vendor License**

Anthony Milano & Anthony Ciarenza, A&A Inc. d/b/a Saponi Italian, 475 Summer St.

(from 8/23/04 agenda)

Mr. Milano explained they would keep the same menu but add a few new things.

Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

8. **Request: One-Day Alcohol Permit, "Taste of Arlington", Whittemore Robbins House, 10/3/04, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Patsy Kraemer

Mrs. Kraemer and Michelle Meagher, Chamber of Commerce, stated they hope all will attend and that only 400 tickets will be sold. There are 16 restaurants involved and there will be a silent auction also.

Mr. Hurd moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Ms. Meagher informed the Board that Patsy Kraemer is the award winner this year and the Annual Achievement Awards Banquet will be held November 16th.

Mr. Lyons not present for vote.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

9. **Request: Waiver of Parking Restrictions**

Deanne Benson, Lesley Ellis School

9/22/04 Apple Picking Trip/4 school buses & many cars, rain date 9/23

11/24/04 12:00 dismissal

12/23/04 12:00 dismissal

1/11/05 9:30-11:00 open house

3/5/05 2:00-5:00 p.m. Guatemalan Carnival

4/9/05 Alumni Reunion

5/6/05 Special Friends Visiting Day

5/16/05 12:00 dismissal

Mr. Hurd moved approval and wants all abutters notified.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mr. Lyons not present for vote.

10. **Discussion: October is Diversity Month in Arlington, 2004**

Jane L. Howard, Vision 2020's Diversity Task Group and Vision 2020 Standing Committee.

Mrs. Howard explained and read from the brochure the diversity events planned for the month of October. She invites all to attend as many of the free events as possible.

Mrs. Dias moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mr. Lyons not present for vote.

Mrs. Mahon and Mr. Sullivan spoke about Arlington's Sister City visit of the Japanese Delegate October 6th-October 9th. On the 7th Arlington will entertain the delegation with school visits and reception (all Selectmen are invited to attend the reception). On the 8th the delegation will visit City Hall, State House, Filene's Basement and other points of interest.

11. Request: Payment of Bills

Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum

Mrs. Dias moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mr. Lyons not present for vote.

12. RCN License Amendment

John F. Maher, Town Counsel

Mr. Maher reported the amendment relieves RCN of certain obligations with a one time payment of \$50,000.00 to be placed in a cable account-to be used for any cable related activity. RCN is also wiring Dallin Library with fiber optic technology. The Cable Advisory Committee has met several times and is in support of accepting this amendment.

Mr. Thomas Steele from RCN spoke of RCN's bankruptcy to clear 1.2 billion in debt but remain committed to customers and Arlington. They will be starting the renewal process for a 3 year period with Arlington shortly. This amendment would leave 553 addresses out of reach for RCN service out of the total homes in Arlington. Yet there is a provision RCN will spend up to \$500.00 per hook up. Mrs. Dias stated she was disappointed that RCN couldn't hook up the final few homes to their cable system and asked Mr. Maher to be sure said addresses be notify during the re-licensing process. Mr. Maher recommended the Board vote tonight to enter into the Cable License Amendment. He also stated the Treasurer is the custodian of this fund and is not subject to Town Meeting.

Mr. Hurd moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mr. Lyons not present for vote.

13. Request: Hang Flags Along Mass. Ave. During Month of October

Board of Library Trustees

They are double-sided banners to be hung the month of October on both sides of Mass. Avenue to promote National Library Month.

Mrs. Dias moved approval

Mr. Lyons not present for vote.

SO VOTED (4-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Krepelka announced there would be a Snow and Ice Meeting on Tuesday, September 28, 2004.

Mr. Sullivan reported there would be \$300,000. being sent from the State to the Town of Arlington--more would be helpful.

Mr. Greeley congratulated everyone on Town Day. He would also like it to be a future agenda item considering changes/restrictions; there was a lack of crafts. Mrs. Mahon responded policy changes need approval from the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Greeley also stated it was sad to loose Renee Pace-Tsoukalas and we should send a letter of thanks. There will be

a thank you party in October/November.

Mr. Lyons congratulated Mr. Hurd and Mr. Greeley for their successful fundraising at the Stratton dunk tank during Town Day.

Mr. Hurd asked that a Little League proposal be an agenda item for the next meeting. The proposal is to install lights at Buck Field. The Little League will pay installation cost. Mr. Hurd made a motion to have this agenda item for next meeting. SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon reported she would talk to Mrs. Krepelka and Mr. Lyons to start the meeting at 8:00 or 8:15 pm. She also discussed using the capital funds for moving forward with improvements at the fire stations. She would like this to be an agenda item in November or December. Mr. Lyons would like Mr. Sullivan to talk with Lexington and Belmont about their capital fire improvements.

Mrs. Mahon thanked Mrs. Krepelka and Mrs. Sullivan for attending the upcoming ABCC training program to be held on Thursday, September 22nd.

Mrs. Mahon made a motion to adjourn to commence with Town Meeting at 7:29PM.

A true record: Attest:

Marie A. Krepelka.
Board Administrator